ADVERSARY PROCEEDING COVER SHE (Instructions on Reverse)	ADVERSARY PROCEEDING NUMBER (Court Use Only)		
PLAINTIFFS JAMES RIVER COAL COMPANY, et al.	DEFENDANTS Williams Forestry & Associates, LLC		
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CAUSE OF ACTION (WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE Avoidance and Recovery of Preferences and Fraudulent Conveyar			
NATURE (Number up to five (5) boxes starting with lead cause of action as			
FRBP 7001(1) – Recovery of Money/Property 11-Recovery of money/property - §542 turnover of property 12-Recovery of money/property - §547 preference 13-Recovery of money/property - §548 fraudulent transfer 14-Recovery of money/property - other	FRBP 7001(6) – Dischargeability (continued) 61-Dischargeability - §523(a)(5), domestic support 68-Dischargeability - §523(a)(6), willful and malicious injury 63-Dischargeability - §523(a)(8), student loan 64-Dischargeability - §523(a)(15), divorce or separation obligation (other than domestic support)		
FRBP 7001(2) - Validity, Priority or Extent of Lien 21-Validity, priority or extent of lien or other interest in property	65-Dischargeability - other		
FRBP 7001(3) – Approval of Sale of Property 31-Approval of sale of property of estate and of a co-owner - §363(h)	FRBP 7001(7) - Injunctive Relief 71-Injunctive relief - imposition of stay 72-Injunctive relief - other		
FRBP 7001(4) – Objection/Revocation of Discharge 41-Objection / revocation of discharge - §727(c),(d),(e)	FRBP 7001(8) Subordination of Claim or Interest 81-Subordination of claim or interest		
FRBP 7001(5) - Revocation of Confirmation 51-Revocation of confirmation	FRBP 7001(9) Declaratory Judgment 91-Declaratory judgment		
FRBP 7001(6) – Dischargeability 66-Dischargeability - §523(a)(1),(14),(14A) priority tax claims	FRBP 7001(10) Determination of Removed Action		
62-Dischargeability - §523(a)(2), false pretenses, false representation,	01-Determination of removed claim or cause		
actual fraud Gr-Dischargeability - §523(a)(4), fraud as fiduciary, embezzlement, larceny (continued next column)	Other SS-SIPA Case 15 U.S.C. §§78aaa et.seq. 02-Other (e.g. other actions that would have been brought in state court if unrelated to bankruptcy case)		
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□ Check if a jury trial is demanded in complaint	Demand \$60,000.00		
Other Relief Sought			

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BANKRUPTCY CASE IN V	WHICH THIS	ADVERSARY PROCEEDING	G ARISES		
NAME OF DEBTOR		BANKRUPTCY CASE NO.			
JAMES RIVER COAL COMPANY, et al.		14-31848 (KI	14-31848 (KRH)		
DISTRICT IN WHICH CASE IS PENDING		DIVISION OFFICE	NAME OF JUDGE		
Eastern District of Virginia		Richmond	Huennekens		
RELATED A	DVERSARY F	PROCEEDING (IF ANY)			
PLAINTIFF	DEFENDANT		ADVERSARY		
N/A			PROCEEDING NO.		
DISTRICT IN WHICH ADVERSARY IS PENDIN	1G	DIVISION OFFICE	NAME OF JUDGE		
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/s/ Justin F. Paget					
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INSTRUCTIONS

The filing of a bankruptcy case creates an "estate" under the jurisdiction of the bankruptcy court which consists of all of the property of the debtor, wherever that property is located. Because the bankruptcy estate is so extensive and the jurisdiction of the court so broad, there may be lawsuits over the property or property rights of the estate. There also may be lawsuits concerning the debtor's discharge. If such a lawsuit is filed in a bankruptcy court, it is called an adversary proceeding.

A party filing an adversary proceeding must also complete and file Form 104, the Adversary Proceeding Cover Sheet, *unless the party files the adversary proceeding electronically through the court's Case Management/Electronic Case Filing system (CM/ECF). (CM/ECF captures the information on Form 104 as part of the filing process.) When completed, the cover sheet summarizes basic information on the adversary proceeding. The clerk of court needs the information to process the adversary proceeding and prepare required statistical reports on court activity.

The cover sheet and the information contained on it do not replace or supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, the Bankruptcy Rules, or the local rules of court. The cover sheet, which is largely self-explanatory, must be completed by the plaintiff's attorney (or by the plaintiff if the plaintiff is not represented by an attorney). A separate cover sheet must be submitted to the clerk for each complaint filed.

Plaintiffs and Defendants. Give the names of the plaintiffs and defendants exactly as they appear on the complaint.

Attorneys. Give the names and addresses of the attorneys, if known.

Party. Check the most appropriate box in the first column for the plaintiffs and the second column for the defendants.

Demand. Enter the dollar amount being demanded in the complaint.

Signature. This cover sheet must be signed by the attorney of record in the box on the second page of the form. If the plaintiff is represented by a law firm, a member of the firm must sign. If the plaintiff is pro se, that is, not represented by an attorney, the plaintiff must sign.

*Per LBR 7003-1, in the EDVA, a properly completed Adversary Proceeding Cover Sheet is required.

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

In re:	Chapter 11
JAMES RIVER COAL COMPANY, et al.,	Case No. 14-31848 (KRH)
Debtors.1	(Jointly Administered)
JAMES RIVER COAL COMPANY, et al., Plaintiffs, vs. WILLIAMS FORESTRY & ASSOCIATES, LLC,	Adv. Pro. No. 15 (KRH) Complaint to Avoid and Recover Avoidable Transfers
Defendant	

James River Coal Company and its affiliated debtors (collectively, the "Debtors" or "Plaintiffs"), by and through their undersigned counsel, file this complaint (the "Complaint") to avoid and recover certain transfers made by Plaintiffs to or for the benefit of William Forestry & Associates, LLC (the "Defendant"), on

¹ The Debtors, along with the last four digits of each Debtors' federal tax identification number are listed on Schedule 1 attached hereto.

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knowledge as to themselves and as to all other matters on information and belief, respectfully alleges:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

- 1. Plaintiffs seek a money judgment relating to certain avoidable transfers identified on <u>Exhibit(s) 1</u> attached hereto that were made by Plaintiffs to Defendant during the ninety (90) day period preceding the commencement of the Debtors' bankruptcy cases (each transfer, an "<u>Avoidable Transfer</u>" and, collectively, the "<u>Avoidable Transfers</u>").
- 2. Plaintiffs seek entry of a judgment against Defendant: (i) avoiding (a) pursuant to 11 U.S.C. (the "Bankruptcy Code") § 547(b), preferential transfers to or for the benefit of the Defendant, or, in the alternative, subject to proof, (b) pursuant to Bankruptcy Code § 548(a)(1)(B) any transfers that may have been fraudulent transfers; (ii) pursuant to Bankruptcy Code § 550(a), directing Defendant to pay to Plaintiffs an amount to be determined at trial that is not less than the amount of the Avoidable Transfers, plus interest and costs; and (iii) pending such payment, disallowing any claim of Defendant against Plaintiffs pursuant to Bankruptcy Code § 502 (a)–(j) ("Section 502").
- 3. To the extent that Defendant has filed a proof of claim or has a claim listed on the Plaintiffs' schedules as undisputed, liquidated, and not contingent, or has otherwise requested payment from the Debtors' estates (collectively, the "Claims"), this Complaint is not intended to be, nor should it be construed as, a waiver of Plaintiffs' rights to object to such Claims for any reason including, but not limited to, Bankruptcy Code § 502, and such rights are expressly reserved.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. This adversary proceeding relates to the Chapter 11 cases of *James River Coal Company, et al.*, Case No. 14-31848 (KRH) (jointly administered), pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division (the "Court").
- 5. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this adversary proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157, 1331 and 1334(b).
- 6. The statutory and legal predicates for the relief sought herein are Bankruptcy Code Sections 502, 547, 548 and 550 and Rules 3007 and 7001 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "<u>Bankruptcy Rules</u>").
 - 7. This proceeding is a "core" proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
- 8. The Debtors consent to entry of final orders and judgments by the Court in this adversary proceeding.
 - 9. Venue in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1409.

PROCEDURAL AND FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 10. On April 7, 2014 (the "**Petition Date**"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (collectively, the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>").
- 11. The Debtors are operating their businesses and managing their properties as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 12. On April 15, 2014, the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors (the "<u>Committee</u>") pursuant to Section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code [Dkt. No. 106].

- 13. Prior to the Petition Date, Plaintiffs were a leading producer and marketer of coal in the Central Appalachia and Midwest coal regions of the United States.
- 14. During the ninety (90) days before the Petition Date, that is between

 January 6, 2014 through and including April 6, 2014 (the "<u>Preference Period</u>"), Plaintiffs continued to operate their business affairs, including the transfer of property, either by checks, cashier checks, wire transfers, ACH transfers, direct deposits or otherwise to certain entities, including the Defendant.
- 15. During the course of their relationship, the Plaintiffs and Defendant entered into agreements, evidenced by invoices, communications and other documents (collectively, the "Agreements"), pursuant to which the Plaintiffs and Defendant conducted business with one another.
- 16. Plaintiffs seek to avoid all of the transfers of an interest in any the Plaintiffs' property made by Plaintiffs to Defendant during the Preference Period.

COUNT I - TO AVOID PREFERENTIAL TRANSFERS PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 547(b)

- 17. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 16 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 18. During the Preference Period, Plaintiffs made transfers to, or for the benefit of, Defendant in the amounts set forth on Exhibit(s) 1, which is incorporated by reference herein.
- 19. During the Preference Period, Defendant was a creditor of the Plaintiffs within the meaning of Section 547(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code at the time of each Avoidable Transfer by virtue of supplying goods and/or services for which Plaintiffs was obligated to pay.

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- 20. The Avoidable Transfers were transfers of an interest in Plaintiffs' property.
- 21. According to the Debtors' books and records, the Avoidable Transfers were made to, or for the benefit of, the Defendant because each Avoidable Transfer either reduced or fully satisfied a debt or debts then owed by Plaintiffs to Defendant.
- 22. The Avoidable Transfers were made for or on account of antecedent debts owed by Plaintiffs and described in Exhibit(s) 2.
- 23. The Avoidable Transfers were made while Plaintiffs were insolvent. The Plaintiffs are entitled to the presumption of insolvency for each Avoidable Transfer made during the Preference Period pursuant to Section 547(f) of the Bankruptcy Code. Further, as evidenced by, among other things: (i) the Debtors' bankruptcy petitions (publicly filed with the Bankruptcy Court [Dkt. No. 1]); (ii) the Declaration of Peter T. Socha in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Pleadings ¶ 22 [Dkt. No. 5]; (iii) the proofs of claim that have been filed against the Debtors' estates; and (iv) the Plaintiffs' publicly-filed schedules, the Plaintiffs' liabilities exceeded the value of the Debtors' assets during the Preference Period.
- 24. Plaintiffs estimate that its general unsecured creditors will receive less than full value on account of their allowed claims against Plaintiffs' estates.
- 25. The Avoidable Transfers were made on or within 90 days prior to the Petition Date.
- 26. The Avoidable Transfers enabled Defendant to receive more than it would receive if (a) the Plaintiffs' cases were under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, (b) the Avoidable Transfers had not been made, and (c) Defendant received payment of such debt to the extent provided by the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.

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- 27. Defendant was either the initial transferee of the Avoidable Transfers, the entity for whose benefit the Avoidable Transfers were made, or was the immediate or mediate transferee of the initial transferee receiving the Avoidable Transfers.
- 28. By reason of the foregoing, each Avoidable Transfer should be avoided and set aside as a preferential transfer pursuant to Section 547(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

COUNT II - TO AVOID FRAUDULENT TRANSFERS PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 548

- 29. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 28 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 30. The Avoidable Transfers were made within two (2) years prior to the Petition Date.
- 31. The Avoidable Transfers were made to, or for the benefit of, the Defendant.
- 32. Subject to proof, Plaintiffs plead, in the alternative, that to the extent that Defendant demonstrates that one or more of the Avoidable Transfers were not on account of an antecedent debt or were prepayments for goods and/or services, Plaintiffs did not receive reasonably equivalent value in exchange for the Avoidable Transfers, either (a) because the value of the services and/or goods received was in fact less than the Avoidable Transfers or (b) because the Plaintiffs that made the Avoidable Transfers were not the Debtors that received such goods and/or services and such Plaintiffs were: (i) insolvent on the dates of the Avoidable Transfers or became insolvent as a result of the Avoidable Transfers; and/or (ii) engaged in business or a transaction for which any property remaining with such Plaintiffs was unreasonably small capital at the time of, or as a result of, the Avoidable Transfers; and/or

- (iii) intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts that would be beyond their ability to pay as such debts matured (the "Potentially Fraudulent Transfers").
- 33. By reason of the foregoing, the Avoidable Transfers should be avoided and set aside as fraudulent transfers.

COUNT III - TO RECOVER AVOIDABLE TRANSFERS PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 550

- 34. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 33 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 35. Plaintiffs are entitled to avoid the Avoidable Transfers pursuant to Section 547(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, or, alternatively, the Potentially Fraudulent Transfers (together, the "<u>Transfers</u>") pursuant to Section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 36. Defendant was the initial transferee of the Transfers, the immediate or mediate transferee of such initial transferee, or the person for whose benefit the Transfers were made.
- 37. Pursuant to Section 550(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Plaintiffs are entitled to recover from Defendant an amount to be determined at trial that is not less than the total amount of the Transfers, plus interest thereon to the date of payment and the costs of this action.

COUNT IV - TO DISALLOW CLAIMS PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 502(d)

- 38. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1 through 37 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 39. Defendant is an entity from which property is recoverable under Section 550 of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 40. Defendant was the initial transferee of the Transfers, the immediate or mediate transferee of such initial transferee, or the person for whose benefit the Transfers were made.
- 41. Defendant has not paid to Plaintiffs the amount of the Transfers, or turned over such property to Plaintiffs, for which Defendant is liable under Section 550 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 42. Pursuant to Section 502(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, any and all Claims of Defendant and/or its assignee, against the Plaintiffs' estates, or Plaintiffs, must be disallowed until such time as Defendant pays to Plaintiffs all amounts sought herein.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court enter judgment against Defendant:

- a) avoiding all Avoidable Transfers pursuant to Section 547(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, or, in the alternative, pursuant to Section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code;
- b) pursuant to Section 550(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, directing Defendant to pay to Plaintiffs an amount to be determined at trial that is not less than the full amount of the Transfers, plus interest and costs;
- c) disallowing any Claim of Defendant pursuant to Section 502(d) of the Bankruptcy Code;
- d) awarding pre-judgment interest at the maximum legal rate running from the date of the Plaintiffs' first demand to return all Avoidable Transfers to the date of judgment with respect to this Complaint (the "Judgment") herein;
- e) awarding post-judgment interest at the maximum legal rate running from the date of the Judgment until the date the Judgment is paid in full, plus costs;
- f) requiring Defendant to pay forthwith the amount of the Judgment; and

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g) granting Plaintiffs such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: Richmond, Virginia March 30, 2015

JAMES RIVER COAL COMPANY, et al.

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SCHEDULE 1

(Debtor Entities)

1.	James River Coal Company (2012)	18.	IRP WV Corp. (6050)
2.	BDCC Holding Company, Inc. (3200)	19.	James River Coal Sales, Inc. (3417)
3.	Bell County Coal Corporation (0806)	20.	James River Coal Service Company (2577)
4.	Bledsoe Coal Corporation (4821)	21.	James River Escrow Inc. (0314)
5.	Bledsoe Coal Leasing Company (6654)	22.	Jellico Mining, LLC (4545)
6.	Blue Diamond Coal Company (3812)	23.	Johns Creek Coal Company (9412)
7.	Buck Branch Resources LLC (1459)	24.	Johns Creek Elkhorn Coal Corporation (9199)
8.	Chafin Branch Coal Company, LLC (7873)	25.	Johns Creek Processing Company (4021)
9.	Eolia Resources, Inc. (0587)	26.	Laurel Mountain Resources LLC (1458)
10.	Hampden Coal Company, LLC (4334)	27.	Leeco, Inc. (4176)
11.	International Resource Partners LP (8669)	28.	Logan & Kanawha Coal Co., LLC (5716)
12.	International Resources Holdings I LLC (9838)	29.	McCoy Elkhorn Coal Corporation (8373)
3.	International Resources Holdings II LLC (1567)	30.	Rockhouse Creek Development, LLC (9583)
14.	International Resources, LLC (2522)	31.	Shamrock Coal Company, Incorporated (1843)
15.	IRP GP Holdco LLC (5380)	32.	Snap Creek Mining, LLC (6858)
16.	IRP Kentucky LLC (1454)	33.	Triad Mining Inc. (9005)
17.	IRP LP Holdco Inc. (4447)	34.	Triad Underground Mining, LLC (9041)

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EXHIBIT "1"

JAMES RIVER COAL CO., et al.

vs.

WILLIAMS FORESTRY & ASSOCIATES, LLC

Date of Transfer	Check or Wire No.	Transfer Amount	<u>Transfer Type</u>	<u>Debtor</u>
2/6/2014	033614	\$20,000.00	Check	Service Op
3/3/2014	033702	\$20,000.00	Check	Service Op
4/4/2014	034031	\$20,000.00	Check	Service Op

TOTAL:

\$60,000.00

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EXHIBIT "1"

JAMES RIVER COAL CO., et al.

vs.

XPRESS CONVEYOR & VULCANIZING, INC.

Date of TransferCheck or Wire No.Transfer AmountTransfer TypeDebtor2/5/2014033655\$3,050.00CheckService Op

TOTAL:

\$3,050.00

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James River Coal Co., et al. vs.

WILLIAMS FORESTRY & ASSOCIATES, LLC

Check or Wire No.	Invoice Paid Amount	Invoice Date	Invoice No.	<u>Debtor</u>
033614	\$20,000.00	11/19/2013	7100	Service Op
033702	\$20,000.00	12/12/2013	7110	Service Op
034031	\$20,000.00	1/10/2014	7127	Service Op

TOTAL:

\$60,000.00

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James River Coal Co., et al. vs.

XPRESS CONVEYOR & VULCANIZING, INC.

Check or Wire No.	<u>Invoice Paid</u> Amount	<u>Invoice Date</u>	Invoice No.	<u>Debtor</u>
033655	\$3,050.00	12/20/2013	106252	Service Op

TOTAL: \$3,050.00